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31.111 Title.

This Chapter shall be known and cited as the San Bernardino County Emergency Medical Care Committee Chapter.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992);

31.112 Definitions.

For the purpose of this Chapter the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations, shall have the meaning set forth herein. Words used in the present tense include the future tense, plural words include the singular, and singular words include the plural. All references to gender shall include both masculine and feminine. Words not specifically defined shall be given their common meaning. The word "shall" is mandatory and not directory.

- (a) "Board of Supervisors" shall mean the Board of Supervisors for the County of San Bernardino.
- (b) "County" shall refer to the County of San Bernardino.
- (c) "Director" shall refer to the Director of the Public Health Department for the County of San Bernardino.
- (d) "EMCC" shall refer to the Emergency Medical Care Committee for the County of San Bernardino.
- (e) "EMS" shall mean Emergency Medical Services.
- (f) "Local EMS Agency" shall refer to the Public Health Department of the County of San Bernardino.
- (g) "EMS Authority" shall refer to the EMS Authority of the State of California.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992);

31.113 Purpose and Scope.

It is the purpose of this Chapter to establish the County's EMCC as required under California Health & Safety Code §1797.20. It is the responsibility of the EMCC to act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors, and the local EMS Agency on all matters relating to emergency medical services, and to perform such other duties as the Board of Supervisors may specify.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992):

31.114 Membership, Appointment of Members.

- (a) Appointment. The members of the EMCC shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The members of the EMCC serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors. The EMCC shall consist of the following:
 - (1) An emergency room or trauma physician.
 - (2) An EMS nurse.
 - (3) A fire chief.
 - (4) A private ambulance provider.
 - (5) A representative of an EMS training institution.
 - (6) A hospital administrator.
 - (7) A law enforcement representative.
 - (8) A representative from an emergency dispatch or communications center.
 - (9) A consumer advocate.
 - (10) A physician.
 - (11) A city manager.
 - (12) An air-ambulance provider.
 - (13) A locally accredited field Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic.
- (b) Voting. Each member of the EMCC shall have one (1) vote. Seven (7) members present shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote with a quorum in attendance shall be required to take action on a matter before the EMCC.
- (c) Election of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. A Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected annually from the members of the EMCC at the first meeting of each calendar year by a simple majority of the EMCC members present. The Vice-Chairperson shall assume the responsibilities of the Chairperson in his/her absence.

- (d) Term of Appointment. Appointment shall be for four (4) years. Terms shall expire on January 31 of the appropriate years and subsequent new terms shall begin February I of that year. The terms shall be staggered so that no more than two-thirds (2/3) of the terms of the total number of members of the EMCC shall expire in any one (1) year period. Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors and may be removed from the committee at any time only by the Board of Supervisors.
 - (e) Staff Support. The Local EMS Agency shall provide staff support to the EMCC.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992);

31.115 EMCC Meetings.

The EMCC shall meet on the third Thursday of every month, holidays excepted, at a time and location to be determined by the EMCC.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992);

31.116 Review of Local Operations.

- (a) Annual Review. The Emergency Medical Care Committee shall, at least annually, review the operations of each of the following:
 - (1) Ambulance Services. All ambulance services operating within the County;
- (2) MS Care. Emergency medical care offered within the County, including programs for training large numbers of people in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and lifesaving first aid techniques; and
 - (3) First Aid Practices. All first aid practices within the County.
- (b) Report on EMCC Observations and Recommendations. The EMCC shall, at least annually, report, pursuant to California Health & Safety Code section 1797.276, to the Board of Supervisors, the EMS Authority, and the Local EMS Agency, its observations and recommendations relative to its review of the ambulance services, emergency medical care, first aid practices, and programs for training people in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and lifesaving first aid techniques, and public participation in such programs in the County.
- (c) Review of the EMS Plans, Procedures and Protocols. In addition to the responsibilities outlined above, the EMCC shall review and comment on proposed EMS legislation, EMS plans and review and comment on protocols and policies to be adopted by the Local EMS Agency, and shall report its findings to the Director and/or Board of Supervisors as appropriate.

Adopted Ordinance #3495 (1992);